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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF OKLAHOMA

STATE OF OKLAHOMA, et al.,

Plaintiff,

vs.

CASE NO. 05-CV-00329-GKF SAJ

TYSON FOODS, INC., et al., Defendants.

> DEPOSITION OF DEREK SMITHEE TAKEN ON BEHALF OF THE DEFENDANTS ON APRIL 16, 2009, BEGINNING AT 9:00 A.M. IN OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA

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- Oklahoma Conservation Commission.
- A. Okay.
- Q. So that's where I'm going, but perhaps the
- specific programs will be an easier way to address it.
- ⁵ A. Okay.
- Q. Let's first go to Exhibit No. 2. Can you
- give me a general description of what these
- spreadsheets are that are marked OWRB Response
- 9 Costs 0001, and I believe those go through 31, and
- then there are some summary pages after that?
- A. Am I free to reorder these for clarity?
- Q. Absolutely.
- A. Okay, what Exhibit 2 is. Every -- the
- Beneficial Use Monitoring Program is a wholly state
- supported monitoring program evaluating the state's
- waters of which obviously the Illinois River Watershed
- is a significant and important part.
- What you have in Exhibit 2 is the analyses
- that were conducted in the Illinois River Watershed,
- Illinois River Walk, Baron Fork, Eldon, on and on and
- on and the laboratory costs associated with that work.
- Those are then captured in item 6 of the
- summary and BUMP since its inception in 1998, of
- \$290,000, that include -- that \$290,000 is laboratory
- costs and personnel costs for the BUMP program to be

- executed in the Illinois River Watershed.
- Q. All right. If we look at pages 1 through
- 3 32, do all of these pages relate to the BUMP program?
- A. I don't even see a 32. Okay, it is the
- ⁵ summaries that I reordered for myself.
- Q. Yes, this is my 32?
- ⁷ A. That's correct.
- ⁸ Q. And page 32 is a summary of pages 1 through
- 9 31; is that correct?
- A. That is correct.
- Q. Are pages 1 through 31 a summary of all the
- sampling that you could document associated with the
- BUMP program?
- 14 A. Yes.
- Q. It is really --
- A. I will say yes.
- Q. Are you hesitating or --
- A. I'm hesitating because some of these numbers
- don't look right to me. They don't look right to me.
- Q. I'm a little confused about the numbers,
- too. Maybe we can figure this out together.
- 22 A. Okay.
- Q. These numbers are hard to read, I
- understand, but on page 31, it looks like these
- columns at the bottom are essentially the same as what

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- Q. So the nutrient sampling was to get, if I
- understand the purpose, to get really better data that
- reflected some high flow storm events also?
- A. To reflect when the .037 phosphorous
- ⁵ criterion was promulgated, we promulgated a rule to
- 6 allow us to evaluate compliance with that criterion.
- And so sometimes we had to take additional
- 8 samples to get a technically valid analysis.
- 9 Q. If we refer back to Exhibit No. 2 and go to
- pages 33 and 34, which are the summary of costs?
- A. Uh-huh.
- Q. And number one on page 33 is the .037
- criteria on development. Are there any costs
- associated with this line item on 33 with evaluating
- compliance with the .037?
- ¹⁶ A. Yes.
- ¹⁷ Q. Okay.
- A. But not BUMP. Not sampling.
- Q. Okay. Explain.
- A. Okay. When we promulgated the .037
- 21 phosphorous criterion, we needed to know one of the
- fundamental questions, of course, we talked about the
- 303(d) impaired waters list is how are we going to
- determine if that is being met or not.
- So we promulgated a rule to do that. That

- promulgation process took a lot of time and energy and
- guts. So that Phil Morschel, PM \$22,000, is for
- 3 criterion development and the \$33,000 below that USAP
- is for the development of the Use Support Assessment
- ⁵ Protocol.
- So that \$55,000 is what we spent as a unit
- in the promulgation of the criterion, promulgation of
- the Use for Assessment Protocol and evaluating the
- 9 ambient data to see if it did or did not achieve that
- number.
- But it does not include the actual
- collection of that sample or the laboratory analysis.
- Q. And the collection of that sample and
- laboratory analysis, is that included then in our
- Exhibit No. 2?
- A. Perfect.
- O. Tell me then about the man hours that were
- spent collecting these samples and documented in
- Exhibit No. 6 and 2, the personnel time, is that also
- included in number 1 or 2 here?
- ²¹ A. No.
- Q. So the time spent on number 1 here and 2 by
- these individuals does not include any time for
- sampling that's reflected in Exhibit No. 2?
- A. That's correct.

- A. We are not claiming any.
- Q. So on to the next item on page 33, and USAP
- 3 stands for Use Support Assessment Protocol; is that
- 4 correct?
- 5 A. That is correct.
- ⁶ Q. And please tell us for the record what this
- ⁷ refers to?
- A. That is the dollar amount, \$1,000 for Derek,
- 9 \$33,000 for Phil to develop and finally promulgate
- rules in chapter 46 to allow us to interpret Ambient
- Water Quality Data for use support.
- Q. And did you arrive at these numbers in the
- same manner that you went back and determined the
- numbers for the .037 criterion development?
- A. Same process.
- Q. And we have \$1,000 for your time and \$33,000
- for Phil's time; is that correct?
- A. That is correct.
- Q. And is that the total amount of the claim
- that you're making for work related to Use Support
- 21 Assessment Protocol?
- 22 A. It is.
- Q. Okay. And there are no other hard costs or
- sampling costs involved in -- that you are claiming?
- A. That is correct.

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- A. Which is -- that's correct.
- Q. Okay. And if we went through any of the
- other examples of parameters listed here on page 4,
- 4 could you tell me why a specific value was selected
- from the various schedules contained in Exhibit 3?
- A. I cannot, but I can find that for you.
- ⁷ 11-29, I can find that for zinc, it is there.
- Q. Well, my question goes to when there are
- 9 different costs for the same year, why the person
- selected, for instance, arsenic at \$28 rather than
- arsenic at \$23. Can you tell me why?
- A. I cannot.
- Q. And if we did the same example for copper
- and found two different values, could you tell me why
- the person selected one over another for copper?
- A. I could not. But I could visit with that
- person and find that information -- I'm sure there was
- a rationale for that.
- Q. You don't know who that person is?
- A. I do not.
- Q. And the same would be for any of the
- parameters contained on Exhibit No. 4?
- A. Any of the four.
- Q. I'm having a hard time reading the last page
- of Exhibit No. 4, so let's make sure we are clear --

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Page 104 1 It is a little dark, isn't it? Α. 0. -- on the record. 3 \$14,469.28. Α. 0. Thank you, that is the total amount of 5 ODEQ's claim as it relates to the Ambient Trend 6 Monitoring Program; is that your testimony here today? 7 That is correct. Α. 8 Q. And are there any other costs that the ODEQ 9 is claiming as response costs in this litigation? 10 Α. Not that I am aware of. 11 And you have not been designated to testify Ο. 12 about any other costs incurred by ODEQ? 13 Α. That's correct. 14 Let's take a look then at Exhibit No. 5. 15 Have you ever seen Exhibit No. 5 before today? 16 Α. Yes. 17 When did you see this declaration of Judith 18 Duncan before today? A couple weeks ago.

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- 20 And did you receive this affidavit or 21 declaration at the same time that you received this 22 chart that we have at Exhibit No. 4?
- 23 Α. Yes.
- 24 And was the purpose of receiving the chart 0. 25 and this declaration to prepare for your testimony